

ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER



SAFER INTERNET DAY 2022

We celebrated Safer Internet Day 2022 on Tuesday 8th February. The key theme was 'All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online'. Our online safety ambassadors created a PowerPoint and quiz which was delivered in tutor time. They also spent their lunch time and after school giving advice to students and staff on keeping safe online by updating their privacy settings.

USEFUL WEBSITES AND GUIDANCE ON KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE



Connecting safely online- Internet Matters

Internet Matters have created an online hub to support parents, carers, and young people with additional learning needs to offer tailored advice on how to connect safely online across a range of social platforms. Please visit the link below:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety/secondary/parent-support/>



Advice about key social media platforms and apps UK Safer Internet Centre

UK Safer Internet Centre have created a page on advice about key social media platforms and apps. Please visit the link below to find out more information.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/social-media-guides>



Draft Online Safety Bill Launched

The draft Online Safety Bill establishes a new regulatory framework to tackle harmful content online. What Does the Bill Look to Achieve? The proposals brought forward look to tackle online safety from a number of different areas. These include:

- Protecting children from harmful online content
- Limiting user's exposure to illegal content
- Requiring online platforms that allow people to post their own content ensure they 'protect children, tackle illegal activity and uphold their terms and conditions'
- Ofcom to regulate and fine companies who fail to comply.
- Tech firms and executives to be held more accountable
- Protection of freedom of speech

STARTING THE CONVERSATION WITH YOUR CHILD ABOUT KEEPING SAFE ONLINE

For many of us, we see our online lives and offline lives as different, but children are growing up with technology and the internet and for them there isn't a difference; online life and offline life is just life.

Technology can move at an extraordinarily fast pace, and it can be difficult to know how to start talking to your child about what they're doing online, who they might be speaking to or discussing the potential risks and issues.

Talking regularly with your child is the greatest tool to help keep them safe online. Talking regularly and making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed. It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

But it can also be easy to become overwhelmed with the different technology, the language that children use, the huge number of games and apps which are available and the potential risks.

Please visit the NSPCC <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/> for guidance and tips around keeping your child safe online and having those discussions.



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RESOURCES TO HELP YOU:

National Online Safety App & Website

National online safety has launched an app which includes lots of useful guides, videos, and webinars on all the latest apps, websites, social media, and video games. You can also access these on their website: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>

How to set up parental controls for apps

I have attached two documents from National Online Safety which will help you set up parental controls for apps on I-phone and Android phones.



For guides and advice on how to support your child stay safe online please visit our webpage which includes various useful and supportive websites- <https://www.lythamhigh.lancs.sch.uk/parents/Online-Safety>

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Thank you for your ongoing support
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